

Richard Wenzel

Health Commissioner

Toledo City Health Department
635 North Erie Street

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Dear Dr. Wenzel:

Toledo, Ohio 43624

On March 17, 1977, Loren Shaffer, Ohio EPA, along with Eldon Eckhart, Sanitarian, reviewed the solid waste program of Toledo City. Our observations and recommendations are as follows:

## Durra Landfill

Most of the municipal solid waste is being disposed of at this site. A shortage of trucks for hauling daily and final cover material continues to be a major problem. The daily compacting and covering appeared good at the time of our visit. Waste was being deposited at the base of the fill and compacted on an inclined working face. The following recommendations are made.

- 1. The final grade elevations as approved in the plans should be adhered to. It would be advisable that final grade stakes be established so that the operators know how high to fill.
- 2. The final covering of the completed area is still a major problem. Erosion is moving a large quantity of cover material off the area each year. We would recommend that the area be finalized as quickly as possible and seeded with a cover crop to prevent erosion. We would also recommend that a time limit be established, with the City of Toledo, as to when this will be completed.
- 3. Equipment to haul cover material continues to be a major problem. More trucks are needed to haul daily and final cover material from the Hoffman Road site. The dragline on the Hoffman Road site was not being utilized at all times because there were no trucks there to haul the dirt away.
- 4. Blowing litter was a problem on this site and needed to be picked up.

## Hoffman Road Landfill

This site is receiving mainly demolition waste and waste from private contractors and private individuals. The availability of earth moving

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equipment and trucks to haul dirt away was a major problem. The dragline was the only piece of equipment being used for trenching at the time of our visit and it could not be operated continuously because there were not enough trucks available. There was some litter but it did not seem to be a major problem. When there is a problem with litter, it should be picked up promptly.

The Stickney Avenue dump and the old Manhattan dump continue to need final cover material. Little or no progress is being made toward finalizing these sites and the Durra site. We would recommend that the Health Department continue to bring pressure on the responsible officials to get these sites finalized so that no detriment to the environment is occurring.

A complaint about some type of material leaching into the Maumee River, at I-75 and the Miller Oil Company property, was investigated. We were not able to locate anything leaching into the River at this point. If anything more develops on this complaint, we will contact you.

It was a pleasure working with your department. If we can assist you or ensure any questions, feel free to call.

Yours truly,

Loren W. Shaffer District Sanitarian

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